

FOREWORD

This permanent edition of the *Texas Legislative Manual* is the first such volume published for use of the members of the Texas Legislature. Heretofore, editions of the manual have been published biennially. Following the 58th Legislature the presiding officers of the two houses, Speaker Byron Tunnell and Lieutenant Governor Preston Smith, proposed a permanent publication which could be kept current with pocket supplements. Among the advantages of such a publication, they felt, would be a considerable cost saving over a period of years and the maintenance of the manual on a current basis.

This edition contains the Constitutions of the United States and Texas, as amended as of November, 1963, and the House, Senate and Joint Rules adopted by the 58th Legislature. Reference should be made to the current pocket supplement, to be published soon after the organization of both houses of each regular session, for amendments to the constitutions and rules and for the roster of members, officers, committees and press representatives.

Congressional precedents appearing herein were taken from *Hinds' Precedents of the House of Representatives* which gives precedents up to 1904, and from *Cannon's Precedents of the House of Representatives* the most recently published supplement to Hinds'. The new work covers the period from 1904 to 1935. Wherever Congressional precedents appear in the Rules of either the House or the Senate they are followed by the reference, e.g. (H. P., 5, 5760) or (C. P., 8, 3070). The first part of the reference is to *Hinds' Precedents* or to *Cannon's Precedents*, the second to the volume, and the last to the section.

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